

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

MICHAEL SPHAR,

Plaintiff,

v.

**AON CONSULTING, INC., BMC
SOFTWARE, INC., and HEWITT
ASSOCIATES LLC,**

Defendant.

No. 08 C 3489

Judge Samuel Der-Yeghiayan
Magistrate Judge Geraldine Soat Brown

JOINT JURISDICTIONAL STATUS REPORT

I. SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

Plaintiff brings this suit alleging a violation of the Employment Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”), 29 U.S.C. § 1132 *et seq.*, asserting that Defendants failed to abide by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1986 (“COBRA”), 29 U.S.C. § 1161, *et seq.* This Court has jurisdiction over the ERISA/COBRA suit pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, which provides that district courts have original jurisdiction over all civil actions arising from the laws of the United States.

II. VENUE (PLAINTIFF’S POSITION)

Plaintiff resides in and was employed by BMC Software within the Northern District of Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

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